

KCC 4984 (K-C 18,956) *12w*
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of Lawrence H. Sawyer et al. Art Unit 3761
Serial No. 10/699,193
Filed October 31, 2003
Confirmation No. 3474
For STRETCHABLE ABSORBENT ARTICLE

August 19, 2004

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. BOX 1450
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313-1450

SIR:

FOURTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98 and MPEP 609, and in compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant's submit copies of the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08A for consideration by the Patent and Trademark Office in the above-entitled application and to be made of record therein. In accordance with the Patent Office's waiver of the requirement of 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2)(i), copies of the U. S. references are not included herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

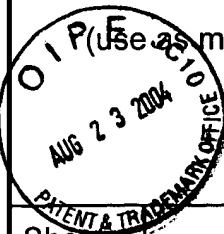
Richard L. Bridge, Reg. No. 40,529
SENNIGER POWERS
One Metropolitan Square, 16th Floor
St. Louis, Missouri 63102
(314) 231-5400

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that this Fourth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement in the application of Lawrence H. Sawyer et al., Serial No. 10/699,193, filed October 31, 2003 is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on the 19th day of August 2004.

Michelle Grindstaff

RLB/tmg

PTO/SB/08A FOURTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (Use as many sheets as necessary) 			Complete if Known	
			Application Number	10/699,193
			Filing Date	October 31, 2003
			Confirmation Number	3474
			First Named Inventor	Lawrence H. Sawyer et al.
			Group Art Unit	3761
			Examiner Name	To be Determined
Sheet 1 of 2	Attorney Docket No. KCC 4984 (K-C 18,956)			

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY
		Number	Kind Code ² (if known)		
	148	3,839,240		Zimmerman	10-01-1974
	149	4,138,459		Brazinsky et al.	02-06-1979
	150	4,384,023		Okamura et al.	05-17-1983
	151	4,590,124		Schoenberg	05-20-1986
	152	4,613,643		Nakamura et al.	09-23-1986
	153	4,698,372		Moss	10-06-1987
	154	4,820,590		Hodgson, Jr. et al.	04-11-1989
	155	4,833,172		Schwarz et al.	05-23-1989
	156	4,994,335		Kamaei et al.	02-19-1991
	157	5,073,316		Bizen et al.	12-17-1991
	158	5,153,254		Chen	10-06-1992
	159	5,169,712		Tapp	12-08-1992
	160	5,405,887		Morita et al.	04-11-1995
	161	5,789,065		Haffner et al.	08-04-1998
	162	5,814,390		Stokes et al.	09-29-1998
	163	5,853,638		Han	12-29-1998

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
--------------------	--	-----------------	--

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹Unique citation designation number. ²See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. ³Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached or place an "A" here if English language abstract is attached.

SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

PTO/SB/08A FOURTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (use as many sheets as necessary)				Complete if Known	
				Application Number	10/699,193
				Filing Date	October 31, 2003
				Confirmation Number	3474
				First Named Inventor	Lawrence H. Sawyer et al.
				Group Art Unit	3761
				Examiner Name	To be Determined
Sheet	2	of	2	Attorney Docket No.	KCC 4984 (K-C 18,956)

	164	5,885,908		Jaeger et al.	03-23-1999
	165	6,586,354		Topolkaraev et al.	07-01-2003

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document			Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	T ⁶
		Office	Number ⁴	Kind Code ² (if known)			
	166	EP	0 419 742	A1	Donald Ross Hazelton et al.	04-03-1991	
	167	EP	0 432 755	A1	Michael Tod Morman	06-19-1991	
	168	EP	0 452 727	A1	Jay S Shultz et al.	10-23-1991	
	169	EP	0 602 613	A1	Ruth Lisa Levy et al.	06-22-1994	
	170	EP	0 800 808	A1	Torimae Yasuhiro et al.	10-15-1997	
	171	GB	2 103 537	A	Joseph Peter Metcalfe	02-23-1983	
	172	GB	2 115 702	A	Kazunori Nishizawa et al.	09-14-1983	
	173	WO	94/00292	A1	Douglas A. Swenson et al.	01-06-1994	
	174	WO	98/02610	A1	Anne Louise McCormack	01-22-1998	
	175	WO	98/29481	A1	William B. Haffner et al.	07-09-1998	
	176	WO	98/29504	A1	Peter Michailovich Kobylivker et al.	07-09-1998	

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
-----------------------	--	--------------------	--

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹Unique citation designation number. ²See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. ³Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached or place an "A" here if English language abstract is attached.

SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.